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VIA TELEFAX  
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Re: Finnish Patent Application No. 87 5673  
Reddie & Grose: 29136  
PM 1267

Dear John:

In response to your request for comments on the references cited in the Finnish action, I am enclosing copies of the prior art statement from the corresponding U.S. (PM 1267 and 1267CIP) with those two patents highlighted. One of these, U.S. 3,390,685, was cited by the U.S. Examiner in the first action. Further comments on this reference can be found on page 7 of the recent U.S. amendment, which was relayed to you by Tom Secrest in connection with the corresponding Australian prosecutions.

I understand that Ken Sonnenfeld has already discussed with you the probability of similar amendments in all of the foreign and that he will be contacting you again when ready with the supplemental amendment to be filed in the U.S. case.

Very truly yours,

Beverly A. Monroe

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Enclosures

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